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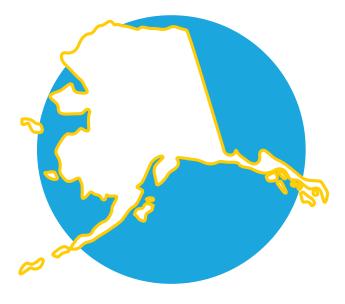
GRID RESILIENCE STATE AND TRIBAL FORMULA GRANTS:

ALASKA

As states, tribes, and territories face threats from severe weather, the **Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants** will distribute **\$2.3 billion** over five years to strengthen and modernize America's power grid against wildfires, extreme weather, and other natural disasters that are exacerbated by the climate crisis. The first round of funding applies to fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

In support of President Biden's Investing in America agenda, in August 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded **\$22,174,492** to **Alaska** via the Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants program, which is supported by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

State awards are based on a formula that includes factors such as population size, land area, probability and severity of disruptive events, and a locality's historical expenditures on mitigation efforts. Under the administration of the **Alaska Energy Authority**, Alaska will hold a competitive selection process to identify projects for which the roughly \$22 million in federal funding will be deployed.



GOALS INCLUDE

- Reducing the likelihood and consequences of natural hazard events (e.g., winter storms, extreme temperatures, wildfires, floods, earthquakes, landslides) causing disruption to normal grid operations and critical facilities within Alaska's most populated and economically vital communities.
- > Equipping Alaska's most populated and economically vital communities with modernized grid infrastructure where grid improvements enhance energy resilience, increase electrification, and address other evolving system needs over the coming decades.
- Reducing the energy burden and the cost experienced by customers within disadvantaged communities or tribal lands, as well as all areas served by the resilience investment, due to inadequate electric grid infrastructure.
- Increasing the skilled workforce by ensuring that any installed resilience measures can be operated and maintained by local workers and businesses, where possible.

HELPFUL LINKS

- > Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program
- > About the Grid Deployment Office